# PERSONAL LINES PRODUCER

# INDIANA EXAMINATION CONTENT OUTLINE

# \*100 QUESTIONS TOTAL

# \*\*TIME LIMIT 1 hour 40 minutes REVISED 11/14/2014

# XVI. KEY TERMS & CONCEPTS

(11 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

# A. Definitions And Key Concepts

- 1. Exposure
- 2. Risk

Pure Risk vs. Speculative Risk

Dealing with Risk

Relationship between Risk & Premium

3. Loss

Financial consequences

Direct Loss vs. Indirect (Consequential) Loss

4. Insurance

Transfer of Risk

- 5. Property
- 6. Two Party Contracts
- 7. Casualty / Liability
- 8. Third Party Contracts
- 9. Personal Lines vs. Commercial Lines
- 10. Insurable Interest
- 11. Indemnification
- 12. Limits of Liability

Lower of the Loss or the Limit

Occurrence Limits

- 13. Exclusions
- 14. Inherent Vice
- 15. Pro Rata
- 16. Liberalization Clause
- 17. Assignment
- 18. Cancellation and Nonrenewal
- 19. Refund of Unearned Premium
- 20. Certificate of Insurance
- 21. Endorsements
- 22. Named Insureds
- 23. First Named Insured
- 24. Additional Insureds
- 25. Accident
- 26. Occurrence
- 27. Countersignature requirements

<sup>\*</sup>Additional non-scored trial questions may be added to exam

<sup>\*\*</sup>Extra time will be allotted to examinations with additional non-scored trial questions

# **B.** Types of Insurance Companies

- 1. Lloyd's of London
- 2. Stock Companies
- 3. Mutual Companies
- 4. Self Insurers
- 5. Risk Retention Groups
- 6. Federal & State Governments

#### C. Reinsurance

# D. Other Ways of Classifying Companies

1. By Origin

Domestic

Foreign

Alien

2. By Authority

Authorized (Admitted)

Unauthorized (Non-Admitted)

# XVII. CONTRACT LAW AND UNDERWRITING

(8 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

#### A. What is a Contract

# **B.** The Five Essential Parts of a Contract

- 1. Offer
- 2. Acceptance
- 3. Consideration
- 4. Legal capacity
- 5. Legal purpose

#### C. Doctrine of Utmost Good Faith

# **D.** Doctrine of Reasonable Expectations

# E. Defining Truth

- 1. Warranties
- 2. Representations
- 3. Misrepresentations
- 4. Concealment
- 5. Material to the risk
- 6. Fraud
- 7. Fiduciary
- 8. Waiver
- 9. Consequences of material misrepresentation

#### F. Binders

- 1. Oral vs. Written
- 2. When does coverage start
- 3. When do Binders expire

#### **G.** Distinct Characteristics of Insurance Contracts

- 1. Personal contracts
- 2. Conditional
- 3. Unilateral
- 4. Aleatory
- 5. Adhesion

# H. Parts of a Policy

- 5. Declarations
- 6. Insuring Agreement/Coverages
- 7. Conditions
- 8. Exclusions

# I. Underwriting

- 1. Factors used to calculate premium rates
- 2. Law of Large Numbers
- 3. Fair Credit Reporting Act

# J. Powers of Agency

1. Insurance law & the Agent/Producer

The Agent/Producer

The Agency Agreement/Contract

The Agent's extending the insurance company's liability

Agent's knowledge

Agent vs. Broker

2. Powers of Agency

**Expressed** authority

Implied authority

Apparent authority

#### XVIII. BASICS OF TWO PARTY COVERAGE

(8 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

# A. Property Format

1. What Property is insured

**Building** 

Contents

2. From what Perils/Causes of Loss

Named Peril Policies

Open Perils (All Risk) Policies

#### 3. Hazards

Physical

Moral

Morale

# B. The Cause of Loss Forms: Basic, Broad, & Special

1. Basic Cause of Loss Form

Know the Basic perils

2. Broad Cause of Loss Form

Know the Broad form perils plus Collapse

3. Special Cause of Loss Form

"All Risk" concept

Importance of Exclusions

# C. Claim Settlement -Basis for Valuation

- 1. Actual Cash Value (ACV)
- 2. Replacement Cost
- 3. Functional Replacement Cost/Repair Cost
- 4. Stated Value
- 5. Agreed Value
- 6. Fair Market Value

# D. Cost Containment Tools in Property Policies

1. Deductibles

# **E.** Common Property Provisions

- 1. Proof of Loss
- 2. Appraisal
- 3. Right of Salvage
- 4. Abandonment
- 5. Additional Coverages
- 6. Extensions of Coverage
- 7. Vacancy/Unoccupancy

# **F.** Common Property Conditions

- 1. Concealment, Misrepresentation or Fraud
- 2. Control of Property
- 3. Insurance Under Two or More Coverages
- 4. Legal Action
- 5. Liberalization
- 6. No Benefit to Bailee
- 7. Other Insurance

One practical pro rata calculation question Nonconcurrency

- 8. Policy Period
- 9. Coverage Territory
- 10. Subrogation

- G. Insured's Duties in the Event of a Loss
- H. Mortgage Holder's Rights
- I. Loss Payment Options

# XIX. BASICS OF THIRD PARTY COVERAGE (8 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

# A. Liability Policies

- 1. Purpose
- 2. Third Party Contracts
- 3. Definitions

Bodily Injury (BI)

Property Damage (PD)

Personal Injury

Advertising Injury

4. Legally Obligated to Pay

Settlement

Judgment

# B. Negligence

- 1. Definition
- 2. Reasonable Person
- 3. Intentional acts not covered
- 4. Establishing Negligence

Duty

Breach of Duty

**Proximate Cause** 

Damages

5. Types of Damages

Compensatory

Punitive

6. Legal Defenses

Comparative Fault

Assumption of Risk

**Intervening Cause** 

Statute of Limitations

# C. Beyond Negligence

- 1. Strict Liability
- 2. Vicarious Liability

# D. "No Fault" Benefits

- 1. Medical Payments
- 2. Supplementary Payments

**Defense Costs** 

Other Payments

### E. Fire Legal Liability

#### F. Personal Umbrella Policies

# XX. HOMEOWNERS AND DWELLING POLICIES (25 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

#### A. Homeowners

(23-24 QUESTIONS)

- 1. The Homeowners Program
  - HO-1 Basic Form
  - HO-2 Broad Form
  - HO-3 Special Form
  - HO-4 Tenant (or Contents) Form
  - HO-5 Comprehensive Form
  - HO-6 Condominium Unit Owners Form
  - **HO-8** Modified Coverage Form
- 2. Eligibility
- 3. Incidental Businesses in Home
- 4. Who is an Insured
- 5. What is Covered

**Dwelling and Other Structures** 

Personal Property and Personal Liability

Personal Property of Others

6. Definitions

**Residence Premises** 

**Insured Locations** 

# 7. Section I – Property Coverages

Coverage A – Dwelling

Coverage B – Other (Appurtenant) Structures

Coverage C – Personal Property

- o Property covered / not covered
- o Property subject to specific dollar limits
- Personal Articles Floater Coverages

Coverage D – Loss of Use

- Additional Living Expenses
- 8. Against What

Basic Perils

Broad Perils

**Special Perils** 

# 9. Additional Coverages

Debris Removal

Reasonable Repairs

Trees, Shrubs, or Other Plants

Fire Department Service Charge

Ordinance or Law

Credit Card

# 10. Exclusions

Ordinance or law

Earth movements

Flood

Sewer back-up and sump pumps

Off premises power failure

War

Nuclear

Freezing of plumbing

Theft in or to a dwelling under construction

Vandalism

Hidden mold or wet rot

Wear and tear

Pollution

**Concurrent Causation** 

Your animals/pets

#### 11. Conditions

Concealment or Fraud

Cancellation

Subrogation

**Duties After a Loss** 

Loss Settlement

- o Coverage A & B Replacement Cost
- o Coverage C ACV

Loss to a Pair or Set (one calculation)

No Benefit to Bailee

#### 12. Deductible

Basic deductible

# 13. Section II – Casualty Coverages/The Personal Liability Policy

Coverage E- Personal Liability (BI and PD)

Coverage F – Medical Payments to Others

Fire Legal Liability Covered

Exclusions for Section II – Liability

- Intentional Acts
- Professional Liability
- o Business Pursuits
- Workers Compensation losses
- Vehicle, Watercraft, or Aircraft

# **Additional Coverages**

- Claim Defense
- First Aid to Others
- o Damage to the Property of Others

# 14. Endorsements/Optional Coverages

**Business Pursuits** 

Home Day Care

Incidental Occupancies (in-home businesses)

Earthquake

Personal Injury

Personal Property Replacement Cost

Scheduled Personal Property

Watercraft

Inflation Guard

**Mobile Homes** 

# **B.** The Dwelling Policies

(1-2 QUESTIONS)

- 1. Eligibility and uses
- 2. Policy forms

DP-1 Basic

DP -2 Broad

DP -3 Special

- 3. Coverages
- 4. Limitations

No Liability

No Theft

# XXI. PERSONAL AUTO POLICY

(15 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

#### A. Who and What

- 1. Who can buy a Personal Auto Policy
- 2. What vehicles can be insured under a Personal Auto Policy

#### **B.** Declarations

#### C. Definitions

- 1. Named Insured
- 2. Family Member (or Relative)
- 3. Other Insureds
- 4. Occupying
- 5. Trailer
- 6. Covered Auto
- 7. Temporary Substitute Auto

# **D.** Auto Policy Provisions

# E. Auto Policy Exclusions

# F. Coverages

1. Coverage A (Liability)

Purpose

Single Limits

Split Limits (two claims calculations)

**State Minimum Limits** 

**Insured Persons** 

Settle/Defend

Supplementary Payments made in addition to the Policy Limits

Part A (Liability) Exclusions

2. Coverage B (Medical Payments)

Purpose

Medical and Funeral Expenses

Incurred by an Insured

Incurred within three years

**Exclusions** 

Limits (Per Person Per Occurrence)

3. Coverage C (Uninsured Motorist & Underinsured Motorist)

Purpose

**Uninsured Motorist** 

- o Definition
- o Claim Problem

**Underinsured Motorist** 

- o Definition
- Claim Problem
- 4. Coverage D (Coverage for Damage to Your Auto/Physical Damage)

Purpose

Covered Auto(s)

Collision

Other Than Collision (Comprehensive)

- o Theft
- Contact with a bird or animal
- o Glass breakage
- Flood
- Other Covered Perils

# Coverage D Exclusions

- Wear and Tear
- o Electronic Equipment

# Coverage D Settlement

- o ACV of the damaged or stolen property
- Appraisal
- 5. Transportation Expense Benefit

#### G. Duties After an Accident or Loss

# **H.** Personal Auto Policy Endorsements

- 1. Extended Nonowner Coverage for Named Individuals
- 2. Miscellaneous Type Vehicles
- 3. Towing and Labor

#### XXII. SPECIALTY POLICIES

(5 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

#### A. Flood Insurance

(2-3 QUESTIONS)

- 1. Adverse Selection
- 2. The National Flood Insurance Program

"Write-Your-Own" Program

Federal Government's role

- 3. Flood Defined
- 4. Eligibility

**Designated Areas** 

Property eligible for coverage

The effective date of coverage

The standard deductible

#### **B.** Personal Watercraft

(1-2 QUESTIONS)

1. Homeowners

Limits

**Property Coverages** 

**Liability Coverages** 

2. Boatowners

Eligibility

Property Coverages

Liability Coverages

**Territorial Limits** 

3. Yacht Policy

Coverages

Basis for settlement-valuations

**Deductibles** 

Workers Compensation

Navigation/cruising limits

# **C.** Inland Marine Coverages

1. Concept

(0-1 QUESTION)

# **D.** Fair Plan Coverage

- 1. Purpose
- 2. How does it work
- 3. Eligibility

# (0-1 QUESTION)

# XXIII.STATE OF INDIANA GENERAL INSURANCE REGULATIONS

(12 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

# I. Department of Insurance

(3 QUESTIONS)

1. Insurance Commissioner

Appointment by Governor

Member of NAIC

**Powers** 

**Duties** 

2. Admission of Insurance Companies

Certificate of Authority

Admitted versus Non-Admitted companies

Domestic, Foreign & Alien companies

3. Examination of Admitted Insurance Companies

Frequency of fiscal examinations

Waiving examinations of Foreign & Alien companies

8. Insurance Guaranty Associations

Purpose

Policy benefits that are guaranteed

# **B.** Licensing Laws

(5 QUESTIONS)

25. Types of Insurance Licenses, Eligibility

Requirements & Powers and Duties

Resident Producer

Nonresident Producer

**Temporary Producer** 

Consultant

**Limited Lines** 

- o Flight
- o Baggage
- o Title
- o Credit
- Funeral Directors

#### 26. Who must be licensed

Solicit, negotiate or sell contracts of insurance

- 27. Producer qualifications and the licensing process
- 28. Insurance Company: Producer appointments and termination

#### 29. Duties of a Producer

License application process, examination, and fees for obtaining a license

**Controlled Business** 

Acting as a Consultant

Fees and commissions

#### 30. Producer's License Maintenance

Producer notification requirements for change of business or residential address

License renewal process

Continuing Education requirements

Sircon license & C/E tracking system

Producer Responsibilities

# C. Producer/Company Compliance

(3 QUESTIONS)

- 13. Producer Licensing Law & Violations
- 14. Unfair Competition Law & Violations
- 15. Definitions

**Twisting** 

Rebating

Sharing commissions with an unlicensed person

Unfair discrimination

4. Complaint process

Time frame for hearings

5. Penalties/Disciplinary Actions

Penalty for violating Licensing law

Penalty for violating Unfair Competition Law

Penalty for violating Cease and Desist Orders

Criminal violations

# D. Claims

(1 QUESTION)

- 9. When must claims be paid
- 10. Unfair Claim Settlement Practices

# IX. PERSONAL LINES REGULATIONS

(8 TOTAL QUESTIONS)

D. Claims

(2 QUESTIONS)

2. Auto Claims

# E. Automobile Insurance

(5 QUESTIONS)

- 5. Financial Responsibility
- 6. Uninsured and UnderInsured Motorist coverages
- 7. Policy Cancellation and Nonrenewal
- 8. Automobile Insurance Program (AIP)

# F. Other Property and Casualty Laws

(1 QUESTION)

- 3. Mine Subsidence
- 4. Homeowner's Provisions
- 5. Surplus Lines Producers

Purpose

**Duties** 

Gross Premium Tax License Requirements

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